

TREATY BURDEN
SHIFTS TO G.O.P.
INSISTS WILSONPresident Washes Hands of
Disposition of Treaty —
Blame for Inaction Be-
long to Senators Who
Must Shoulder Responsi-
bility He Declares

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—President Wilson today intervened in the peace treaty dilemma with a statement that he had "no compromise or concession of any kind in mind," would make no move toward the treaty's disposition, and would continue to hold the republican members of the senate responsible for results and conditions attending delay.

The president's position, regarded as peculiarly significant in view of the recent discussion in the senate of a compromise, was set forth in the following statement issued today from the White House:

"It was learned from the highest authority at the executive offices today that the hope of the republican leaders of the senate that the president would presently make some move which will relieve the situation with regard to the treaty, is entirely without foundation; he has no compromise or concession of any kind in mind, but intends, so far as he is concerned, that the republican leaders of the senate shall continue to bear the undivided responsibility for the fate of the treaty and the present condition of the world in consequence of that fate."

The White House statement apparently had no effect in changing the treaty situation. Democratic leaders, including the president's views, declared that it did not preclude a senate compromise and that compromise efforts would proceed. Republican leaders reiterated that the president was responsible for the present status and must make the first move towards a solution. Senators hoping to kill the treaty alone expressed satisfaction.

On one point, however, were all senate factions in harmony—namely, that decisive action on the treaty probably would be deferred until next month, after the proposed holiday recess of congress planned to end January 5. Senate debate, probably centered about the White House statement, is expected to be reopened tomorrow with fresh vigor. The democratic compromise campaign also is to be pressed, according to Senator Hitchcock of Nebraska, administration leader, but unless some unexpected development this week ensues, the leaders believe the treaty can not be reached until next month.

To Continue Compromise Efforts
Senator Hitchcock, commenting tonight on the White House statement, declared that the democrats would continue efforts to compromise the reservations and that the senate and not the president must act first.

Senator Lodge of Massachusetts, and other prominent republicans, reserved public comment on the White House statement, but the republican viewpoint, indicated beyond doubt, was that the president must be held responsible for the deadlock and until he acts the treaty must remain at a standstill, probably until January at least.

Senator Borah of Idaho, republican member of the foreign relations committee and prominent among the treaty's implacable foes, in a statement tonight charged that large financial interests were engaged in propaganda favoring the compromise and also proposed to keep the treaty and the league from being passed on by the people during the ensuing presidential campaign.

To the president's contentions that the senate majority is responsible for conditions resulting from delay, republican leaders pointed to the objections yesterday of Senator Hitchcock to the Knox resolution proposing ratification of the treaty as a condition precedent to peace with Germany and postponement of action on the league.

Hitchcock Opposes Knox Suggestion
The Knox resolution, which may be presented anew this week, is sure to receive Senator Hitchcock's determined opposition.

"It is utterly out of the question, absolutely impossible," said Senator Hitchcock.

Questioned regarding the future course towards a compromise, Senator Hitchcock said:

"The Lodge reservations are in the senate; ours are there also. We are willing to discuss a compromise at any time."

There appeared lessened hope tonight, however, that a resolution might be reached with the Knox resolution as a basis. The agreement of Senator Underwood, democrat, Alabama, to support the Knox resolution to establish peace and defer action on the league, had given rise to hope in several quarters that it might form the basis for final action, possibly this week. The view was expressed tonight, however, that opposition of Senator Borah and probably others, would prevent such a compromise.

The "irreconcilables" to a compromise ratification, taken together with the president's "no compromise" statement, had reduced materially any prospect for such ratification.

French Premier
Suffers Broken
Rib on Journey

PARIS, Dec. 14.—(Havas).—It developed with Premier Clemenceau's return today from the conferences in London that he had suffered a fracture of the rib on his trip to England through a fall on board the destroyer on which he crossed the channel on the northward journey.

With his arrival home, the premier resumed control of the government. He declared himself recovered by the cordiality of his reception in London and very much pleased with his conferences with premier Georges and other allied representatives. It was stated that the accident questions discussed were considered and that a note would be issued making known the decisions reached.

Veteran Engine
Pilots Stricken
at The Throttle

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
OMAHA, Dec. 14.—Two veteran engineers, grown old in the service of the Union Pacific, and driving different sections of the Overland Limited, were stricken with paralysis while at the throttle Sunday and both are now in a critical condition at a local hospital.

The stricken engineers are J. W. Coolidge, age 61, residing in Council Bluffs, and William H. Bay, 58, Omaha, close personal friends.

An engineer Coolidge on the first section was dashing through Valley, 35 miles west of Omaha, his fireman noticed that he had collapsed in his seat and that the train was running wild. He immediately stopped the train and summoned help. Engineer Bay with the second section arrived in the meantime and assisted in placing Coolidge on a train for Omaha.

SAY RAIL BILL
MUST BE PASSED
BEFORE RECESS

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—Congress tomorrow begins a drive to clean up pressing business as to adjourn Saturday for a two weeks' holiday recess. The outcome of the program for the week, however, leaders of both parties admitted, was in doubt, depending on the railroad bill and German treaty maneuvers in the senate.

If the Cummins railroad bill is not passed by Saturday, republican leaders have served notice that the recess must be held in abeyance. The senate will resume its work on the railroad measure tomorrow with night sessions planned in the hope of reaching a vote late in the week.

Before the recess, leaders hope to enact the McNary sugar bill, which will be taken up by the house early this week, and the Edge bill authorizing foreign financing corporations.

Primary into treatment of radicals at Ellis Island will be resumed tomorrow by the house immigration committee.

The print paper shortage will be taken up tomorrow by the house post-office committee. Tomorrow the senate budget committee will consider the bill of Representative Anthony, republican, Kansas, to limit the size of newspapers and other periodicals.

Views on a federal budget system will be presented tomorrow before the senate budget committee by Governor Lowden of Illinois and McKelvie of Nebraska.

N. Y. CONGRESSMAN
DENOUNCES ELLIS
ISLAND CONDITIONS

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
NEW YORK, Dec. 14.—Representative Isaac Siegel of New York, a member of the house immigration committee, which is investigating conditions at Ellis Island, denounced Secretary of Labor Wilson and his department, in an address today on "What ails America." He referred to the refusal of Secretary Wilson to give the committee the department's report on the immigration service, declaring that "no man is too big in this country to withhold anything from a congressional committee." He asserted the committee is determined to find out who is responsible for "the lax conditions at Ellis Island."

It was announced today that officials of the department of labor would be called before the committee in Washington tomorrow.

"The officials of the department of labor," said Mr. Siegel, "are more responsible for the spread of radicalism than any other set of men in this country."

Since the congressional committee got busy investigating the department of labor," he continued, "four hundred radicals have been taken into custody again, having been either paroled or released on small bonds at some previous time following their original incarceration at Ellis Island."

Sympathizers and "comrades" of radicals in jail throughout the country gathered at a Christmas remembrance dance tonight and contributed money and gifts in quantities for their imprisoned colleagues. Siegel was the most popular token of brotherhood, loyalty, more than \$500 pounds being delivered to Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, the hostess, destined for federal prisons at Atlanta, Fort Leavenworth, Jefferson City and other places. Miss Flynn estimated the number of "political prisoners" at 1,500.

Jacob Abrams, Hyman Lachowsky and Samuel Lipman, whose convictions have been affirmed by the United States circuit court, are expected to be sentenced tomorrow by their attorney, Louis Weinberger, and will join the "political prisoners" at Ellis Island.

Abrams and Lipman are being brought from New Orleans where they were arrested after escaping from there. They were trying to flee to Mexico.

FOUR CONSTABLES
SHOT FROM AMBUSH

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
LONDON, Dec. 14.—Four constables were shot today looking for men who last night, near Dundee, shot and wounded from ambush four constables.

The constables had arrested two Sinn Féiners and taken them to the special criminal court at Letterkenney, where they were wounded, and were on their way to the quarters at Dundee when a second constable man opened fire on them with pistols. Sergeant Farrell, one of the principal witnesses against the Sinn Féiners, was wounded in the leg, and Constable Cunan in the head and back. Inspector Wallace and another constable also were wounded. Cunan's condition is grave.

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MIAMI, Fla., Dec. 14.—No information was received today from David W. Griffith, motion picture producer, and a party of 36 persons who left here early Wednesday on the yacht Grey Duck, also known as the Rosandra, for Nassau, Bahamas Islands, and have not since been heard from.

The search instituted yesterday for the Grey Duck was continued today and but with one exception there were no reports received concerning the yacht, which should have reached Nassau late Wednesday. The single report came from S. G. Poppas, master of the Mayale A, a gasoline boat plying between Miami and Nassau, and was that members of the Mayale A's crew had seen the Grey Duck at a distance of two and a half miles around off Berry's Island.

Give Conflicting Versions
Members of the Mayale A's crew on being questioned, however, gave conflicting versions, and the general report was denied by C. N. Reinhart, manager of the Aero Limited of New York, which operates a commercial air line between Miami and the Bahamas, and by F. Blattner and Gertrude Southern, pilots, and Harry Rodgers, mechanic, one of the company's machines.

Blattner, Rodgers and Miss Southern left Miami in a plane Saturday morning, scouted among the islands lying between Miami and Nassau and returned to Nassau early today, declaring they twice had visited the spot where Poppas said he saw the Grey Duck and that the John A. was not sighted. They also reported that the yacht had not reached Nassau up to the time they left that city.

Wireless messages were sent to Nassau today, making inquiry as to the Grey Duck, but none of these had been answered tonight. Cable communication with Nassau has been interrupted for several days.

One theory advanced today was that, encountering one of the recent storms, the yacht put in for shelter under the lee shore of an island in the Bahamas group. If such was done, means of replenishing the craft's food supply necessarily could have been taken. Serious reports have been circulated here as to the amount of food on the Grey Duck when she left this port, but the belief is that only one day's supply was in the yacht's galley, it being considered impossible that more than that amount could have been put aboard along with 37 passengers.

Prominent Citizens Aboard
Among the passengers aboard the yacht are Phil J. Reed, mayor of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and former captain in the regular army, and his daughter, Marion. The Grey Duck is about 60 feet over all and equipped with a 20-horse power gasoline motor. Persons arriving from Nassau today on boats of the size of the Grey Duck reported the passage one of the roughest they ever had experienced.

Confusion at first resulting from the use of the names "Grey Duck" and "Rosandra" to designate the yacht on which the Griffith party sailed, arose from steps recently made to change the name of the yacht from Grey Duck to Rosandra. The vessel is known by customs and immigration authorities, however, as the Grey Duck.

Make Disclosures
ON RECENT CONFAB

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PARIS, Dec. 14.—(Havas).—Before the official statements have been issued regarding the London conference, it is possible to give some idea of certain agreements that were reached.

A French loan of five or six billion francs placed in England, it is understood, would be accepted.

An inter-allied military organization, assuring execution of the treaty and having under consideration measures which Germany's possible attitude in the future might compel, has been maintained, with Marshal Foch in control.

Absolute reserve is maintained on the situation created by delay in American ratification of the treaty.

The accord between London and Paris, it is declared, remains absolute. Leman says:

"The Syrian question is said to be settled according to the league's aspirations of France. Publication of a communication determining the Russian policy of the allies is expected shortly."

Part of the evidence, he said, are the original minutes of the meeting of the executive board of the organization in Chicago, July 3, 1917, at which the purchase was authorized. It provided that the machinery be shipped to Vladivostok, according to Mr. Robertson. Of the five members of the board, one is dead, one is a fugitive from justice and the others either in prison or at liberty on bond.

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PROTEST DUAL
CITIZENSHIP
LAWS OF JAPAN

HONOLULU, Dec. 5.—(Correspondence of the Associated Press).—President Wilson will be petitioned in the near future by the American Japanese Citizens' association of Hawaii to call the attention of the Japanese government to the necessity of immediate repeal of the Japanese dual citizenship laws, officers of the association have announced here.

A petition recently was forwarded to Tokyo asking the Japanese government at its session this month to repeal the laws which seek to hold American born and naturalized Japanese to their allegiance to the mikado.

A committee of the association is preparing the petition to be forwarded to Washington.

STEEL STRIKE TO
BE COULDED AS
RESULT OF VOTE

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LABORITES SEEK
AID OF FARMERS
IN NEW PROGRAM

Peace Overtures Forwarded
Sunday — Conservatives
Hold Sway at Opening
Session — Plan Basis for
Meeting Representatives
of Farm Organizations

[Republican A. P. Leased Wire]
WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.—American Federation of Labor officials made another effort today to establish relations with farmers' organizations, the federation's "cooperation committee," appointed at the Atlantic City convention, meeting here with the representatives of several farmers' groups.

While only one delegate from a farm organization participated in the federation's "reconstruction conference" which opened yesterday, it was understood the invitations sent by the committee for today's meeting were more cordially received.

Federation officials declined to discuss the conference today, saying that the committee would make a report to the executive council of the organization.

In view of the declaration of principles adopted by the conference yesterday, it was generally believed in labor circles that a report to the committee had made great progress toward a common ground on which to meet the farmer's representatives than has any previous union group.

Organized labor was declared by several spokesmen to be anxious to get organized farmers in the fold for the campaign which the workers plan to wage in the forthcoming election.

In this connection the statement made in the declaration, adopted by yesterday's conference, appealing to "all of those who contributed to society to unite in furtherance of the principles" were explained today by labor leaders to mean that organized labor must be joined by the "productive" classes if its victory is to be completed.

These leaders asserted that the problems faced by organized labor are as much the problems of the agricultural class because they both political and economic.

Need Aid of Farmers
Every pressure is being brought to bear on the farmer groups to line them up for labor's program. It was indicated at the federation of labor headquarters, efforts, it was said, will be made to show the farmers that the conference's declaration against radicalism means as much to the tiller of the soil as to the industrial worker, and that the organized aid of the country worker is needed in the first against "autocratic control and monopolistic maneuvering of the nation's raw supplies."

The whole "platform" of yesterday's conference was understood to have been drafted with a view to making it as acceptable as possible to the farmers. It was the work of the conservative element of the American Federation of Labor, and was understood to have been prepared under the personal direction of Samuel Gompers, president of the federation.

For the reason it was put out as a feeler for the farmers, Mr. Gompers would permit no changes to be made in it by the conference, according to authentic information.

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Mother Charged
With Murder of
6 Year Old Son

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ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 14.—The body of James M. Blake, Jr., six-year old son of a wealthy Philadelphia insurance broker, who was declared by his mother to have been kidnapped last Friday night, washed ashore at Ventnor today. Mrs. Blake has been placed under arrest.

Mrs. Blake, who on Friday night crawled to the home of Benjamin Fox in Ventnor, and told of being attacked by two negroes who, after beating her, robbed her of a handbag and then fled with the boy, is charged with the murder of the child.

County Physician L. S. Souder performed an autopsy and pronounced death due to drowning.

There were no marks on the body to indicate that the boy had been killed before he was thrown into the water, Dr. Souder said.

WALL ST. FAVORS
PACT ADOPTION
ASSERTS BORAH

Big Financial Interests Are
Spending Vast Sums to
Assure Acceptance in Order
to Safeguard Securities,
Declares Idaho Solon

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Urging that congress investigate alleged efforts of J. P. Morgan and company and other financial concerns to bring about the treaty